State of California Department of Water Resources State Water Resources Control Board Department of Health Services

2002 RECYCLED WATER TASK FORCE

FUNDING / CALFED COORDINATION WORKGROUP MINUTES OF 30 SEPTEMBER 2002 MEETING

MEETING TIME AND LOCATION

Monday, 30 September 2002, 1:30 - 3:30 PM, Room 1730, Cal/EPA Building, 1001 I Street, Sacramento, California. Some of the participants joined the meeting by phone.

ATTENDANCE

Fethi BenJemaa California Department of Water Resources

Tom GohringCALFED Bay-Delta ProgramBill JacobySan Diego County Water AuthorityFawzi KarajehCalifornia Department of Water Resources

Laurie Luke CALFED Bay-Delta Program

Richard Mills
California State Water Resources Control Board
Cheryl Muñoz*
San Francisco Public Utilities Commission
Wayne Pierson
California State Water Resources Control Board
Diana Robles
California State Water Resources Control Board

Frances Spivy-Weber* Mono Lake Committee

Bill Steele U. S. Bureau of Reclamation, Southern California Area Office

Patrick Wright CALFED Bay-Delta Program

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

The meeting was opened by a brief self-introduction of all the attendees and a welcoming statement by Diana Robles, the Workgroup co-chair. Thereafter, the meeting was conducted through a preset agenda with the following items:

1. Approval of August 20, 2002 Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the August 20, 2002 meeting of the Funding/CALFED Coordination Workgroup has been approved.

2. Draft White Paper / Discussion of Specific Issues

The workgroup Co-chair, Diana Robles provided the attendees with a compiled draft white paper that included the contributions of the lead persons on the different specific issues as assigned in previous meetings of the workgroup. The draft white paper (dated 09/30/02) included the following sections:

^{*} By telephone

- Introduction
- Local Role in Funding of Water Recycling Projects
- State Role in the Funding of Water Recycling Projects
- Designated Funding Recipients
- Recommendations

A detailed discussion was carried out on the concept and the need to have a central location for funding information. A website serving as a clearinghouse for needed information on sources of water recycling funds and on the modality and process of funding has been proposed. CALFED as an oversight and a coordination body will help create and coordinate such a central funding site, however, a CALFED implementing agency such as the State Water Resources Control Board or DWR has to host and manage such site.

The concept of a coordination/review committee has also been discussed. Such committee would review funding inquiries and direct applicants to the proper source of funding. The committee will help match applicants with existing funding.

It was also proposed to consider the possibility of hiring a consultant or a third party organization to reach out and solicit agencies if they need any funding for water recycling projects.

The proposed central funding location will include information on the different types of funding namely the batch process (RFP) and the continuous process and the advantages of both processes.

Concerning the development of a database for water recycling projects and attempt to compare costs and benefits, it was decided that such undertaking is a major task and a big effort is needed to collect credible data. The workgroup will focus on a limited number of projects as case studies for illustration purposes and recommends that a comprehensive database be developed in a later stage.

3. Future Milestones Toward Final White Paper

The following schedule has been adopted by the workgroup toward the elaboration of the final white paper:

All information to Diana Robles

Draft distributed to Workgroup members
Final comments to Diana Robles

Workgroup meeting
Present draft white paper to Taskforce

October 15, 2002
October 20, 2002
October 25, 2002
November 4, 2002 (1:30 - 3:30 p.m.)
November 19, 2002

4. Schedule of Next Meeting

The next Workgroup meeting has been scheduled to take place on November 4th, 2002 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Cal/EPA building in Sacramento.

5. Public Comments

No Public comments.

6. Adjourn